Ashford Business Services Ltd

Plasterer drying times guide

Leave-behind guide for your customer - when each surface is ready to decorate.

Job details

Customer	Sarah Mitchell
Address	14 Oakfield Road, Birmingham B17 9JH
Areas plastered	Lounge, hallway, two bedrooms
Date completed	9 November 2026
Plaster type	Multi-finish skim

How plaster dries

£45.00

Typical times

Skim coat: 3–7 days in normal conditions. Backing coats: allow 2 weeks. Cold or damp rooms take longer.

Speeding it up safely

Gentle heat and ventilation help. Do not force-dry with high heat - it cracks the surface.

Painting new plaster

Mist coat first: thinned emulsion (70% paint, 30% water). Then two full coats.

Sign-off

Plasterer	Customer	Date